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For : METHODS FOR SUPPRESSING EARLY GROWTH

RESPONSE-1 PROTEIN (EGR-1) TO REDUCE

VASCULAR INJURY IN A SUBJECT

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Sir:

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 3, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a July 3, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 3, 2002 Office Action is due October 3, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

## In the claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 6 and 8 without prejudice or disclaimer to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a later filed application. Please also amend claim 3 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c) as follows. A marked-up version of amended claim 3 wherein the deleted

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